# Quarterly Trash & Recycling Service Updates etc...

**APRIL THROUGH JUNE 2020** 

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http://www.mansfieldct.gov/trash

#### TRASH & RECYCLING SERVICE & TRANSFER STATION OPERATIONS

The plan is to continue trash service and transfer station operations as close to normal as possible. While the concern for a spread of virus remains high:

- 1. The transfer station swap shop will be closed.
- 2. The trash collector will not get out of the truck to pick up extra bags of trash. Extra trash can be taken to the transfer station. The charge is \$3.50 for a 30 gallon trash bag and \$1.75 for a 13 gallon trash bag.
- 3. If there is a change in operations this information will be sent out to residents who are signed up for email notification. Information will also be posted on the website at <a href="www.mansfieldct.gov/trash">www.mansfieldct.gov/trash</a>. Go to <a href="www.mansfieldct.gov">www.mansfieldct.gov</a> to sign up for e-mail notification select the "trash service" box.

# TRASH & RECYCLING SERVICE CHANGES

**The week of Memorial Day** – all trash and recycling collection days will be one day later. On the <a href="https://www.mansfieldct.gov/trash">www.mansfieldct.gov/trash</a> website you can access a 2020 trash service calendar. Select the "Residential Trash/Recycling Collection" page, then click on "2020 Collection Schedule."

#### TRASH SERVICE IS A UTILITY

Your trash service is a utility, funded entirely by your fees, not taxes. Like any utility, you need to set up an account in order to start service and cancel it when you no longer need the service. If you move and do not notify the town to cancel your account, you will continue to be billed. We ask that you keep this in mind when you are in the process of moving.

# Paper Shredding, April 18, 2020

Bring your sensitive documents to be shredded on-site to the transfer station on Saturday, April 18, 2020 from 9 am to 12 pm. Charge: \$3.00 per medium-sized box or equivalent. A notice will be posted on the www.mansfieldct.gov/trash webpage if the paper shredding event is postponed.

## REPAIR CAFÉ, APRIL 11, 2020 -CANCELLED

## **HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITY 2020 SCHEDULE**

The Regional Chemical Waste Drop-Off Facility, located at 57 Hancock Road in Willington, will be open on the following Saturdays in 2020 from 9 am to 2 pm for residential hazardous waste disposal: June 6 & 20, July 18, August 1 & 15, September 19, October 3 & 17 and November 7. This could change based on the path of the corona virus. To confirm if the facility will be open on a particular date, contact the Recycling Coordinator at 860-429-3333 or waltonvd@mansfieldct.org.

#### TIPS TO PREVENT LITTER FROM TRASH & RECYCLE SERVICE

- 1. Bag all trash, particularly lightweight Styrofoam and plastic film, bags, wrappers;
- Make sure your trash and recycle container lids close;
- 3. Collect recyclable paper items—newspaper, junk mail, office paper, cracker boxes, for instance—in a paper bag and place the bag and contents in the recycle container.

### **SOCIAL DISTANCING ACTIVITIES**

At home? Keeping a low profile? Looking for activities?

- 1. How about a walk along your road with a bag and gloved hands to pick up roadside litter?
- 2. Consider updating yourself on what can and cannot be recycled: www.mansfieldct.gov/trash
- 3. Start a backyard compost pile: www.mansfieldct.gov/trash

## **ADOPT A ROAD**

Is there a particularly littered section of road in your neighborhood? Join residents or organizations that have committed to keep Mansfield clean by Adopting A Road. Those who adopt a portion of a Mansfield road pick up litter at their convenience during the course of a year. By participating, the litter will not be subject to a charge at the transfer station or limited with trash collection service. Contact the Public Works Department at 860-429-3333 or go to <a href="www.mansfieldct.gov/trash">www.mansfieldct.gov/trash</a>. Select the litter tab to sign up.

### FINISHED COMPOST AVAILABLE

Finished compost is available to residents at no cost at the transfer station. Come prepared to load it up in your own containers/vehicle. The transfer station hours are Tuesday and Saturday, 8:30 am to 4:00 pm and Thursday 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm.

## **COMPOST FOOD SCRAPS AT THE TRANSFER STATION**

Residents are invited to bring their separated food scraps to the transfer station for composting. When you arrive at the transfer station, you will be directed to the leaf compost pile. Examples of what is accepted: Bread, Cake, Cereal, Coffee grounds, Cookies, Egg shells, Flower bouquets, Fruit including pits & seeds, Nuts including shells, Pasta, Pizza, Salads, Sandwiches, Soup, Table scraps, Tea bags, Vegetables.